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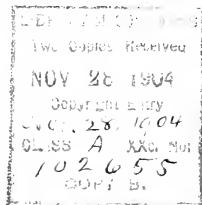
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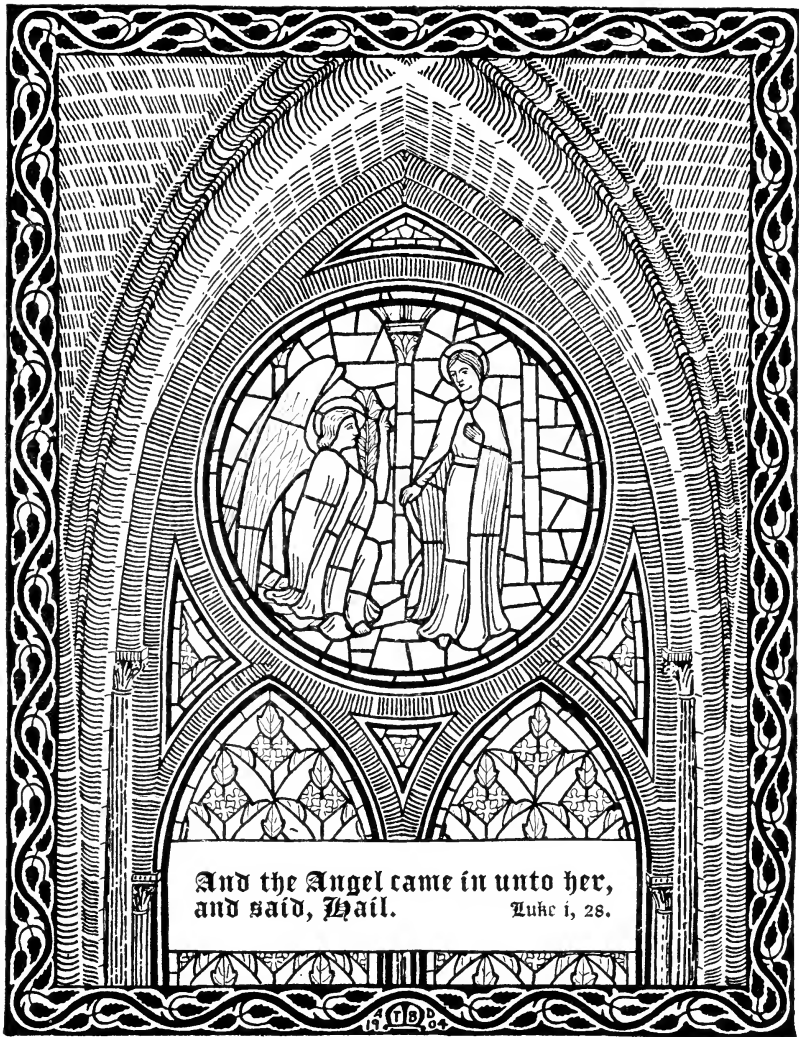
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THE ANNUNCIATION



ACCUSTOMED in the
highest heights to be,
The Angel bowed in awe,
As if, amazed before
Humility,
A deeper heaven he saw.



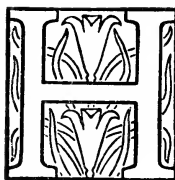
And the Angel came in unto her,
and said, Hail.

Luke i, 28.

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II. THE VISITATION

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IS cloistered God the unborn
messenger
Exulting, leaped to hear:
His mother in the Mother
of her Lord
Interpreting the Word.



And whence is this to me that the
Mother of my Lord should come
to me?

Luke i, 43.

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III. THE NATIVITY

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THE NATIVITY



O small that lesser
lowliness
Must bow to worship or
caress:
So great that heaven
itself to know
Love's majesty must look below.



Unto you is born this day, in
the city of David, a Saviour,
who is Christ the Lord.

Luke ii, 11.

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IV. THE PRESENTATION

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THE PRESENTATION



HERE, woman, is thine
offering —
The debt of law and love?
“ My Babe a tender
nestling is,
And I the Mother-dove.”



According to that which is
said in the law of the Lord, a
pair of turtle-doves. Luke ii, 24.

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V. THE CHILD IN THE TEMPLE

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THE CHILD IN THE TEMPLE



AMONG the sages while
He sat,
And they delighted heard,
None knew the Child they
wondered at,
Was God's Eternal Word.

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They found Him in the temple,
sitting in the midst of the doc-
tors.

Luke ii, 46.

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VI. THE AGONY

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THE AGONY



HERE, where with bloody
sweat
The ground is wet,
The brutal thorn is bred
To crown His head : —
Dost thou, avenging sod,
Curse home thy God ?



Thorns also and thistles shall
it bring forth to thee. Gen. iii, 18.

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VII. THE CROWN OF THORNS

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THE CROWN OF THORNS



H, wherefore were we torn,
Reluctant, from the bough,
To be a mark of scorn
Upon this bleeding Brow?
O fruit of the Forbidden Tree,
Behold the ripened penalty!



And they platted a crown of
thorns, and put it about His
head.

Mark xvi, 17.

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VIII. THE SCOURGING

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THE SCOURGING



O THONGS, for thirst
Of fiends accurst,
Ye quaffed the crimson
flood !
Ah, would that we
Who wound, as ye
Were guiltless of His blood !



Then Pilate therefore took
Jesus and scourged Him.

John xix, 1.

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IX. CARRYING THE CROSS

IX
CARRYING THE CROSS



WHEN Christ went up to
Calvary,
His load upon Him laid,
Each tree unto its neighbor
tree
In awful silence said,
“ Behold, the Gardener is He
Of Eden and Gethsemane ! ”



And He, bearing His Cross,
went forth.

John xix, 17.

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X. THE CRUCIFIXION

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THE CRUCIFIXION



HY, O my God, hast Thou
forsaken me?
Not so my Mother; for
behold and see
She steadfast stands. O
Father, shall it be
That she abides when Thou forsakest
me?



Now there stood by the Cross
of Jesus His Mother.

John xiv, 25.

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XI. THE RESURRECTION

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BEHOLD, the night of
sorrow gone,
Like Magdalene the tender
Dawn
Goes forth with love's
anointing sweet,
To kiss again the Master's feet.



The first day of the week cometh
Mary Magdalene, early, when
it was yet dark, unto the
sepulchre.

John xx, 1.

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XII. THE ASCENSION

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THE ASCENSION



N Sinai did the cloud,
His glory shroud ;
And in the Holy Place
It hid His face.
As now He goes, so
shall ye see
Him come ; — a cloud His canopy.



And a cloud received Him out
of their sight.

Acts i, 9.

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XIII. PENTECOST

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PENTECOST



DISCORD — the curse of
Babel — done,
The world, divided, hears
as one
All hearts revealing
each to each,
The new-found harmony of speech.



And there appeared unto them
cloven tongues, like as of fire.

Acts ii, 3.

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XIV. THE ASSUMPTION

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THE ASSUMPTION

NOR Bethlehem nor Nazareth
Apart from Mary's care,
Nor heaven itself a home for
Him
Were not His Mother there.



Let me see thy countenance,
let me hear thy voice.

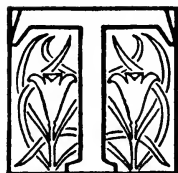
Song of Sol. ii, 14.

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XV. THE CORONATION

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THE CORONATION OF MARY



THEE, Mother-Queen of
Heaven,
He crowned,
And not for love alone ;
For in thy bosom first
He found
The life-spring of His own.

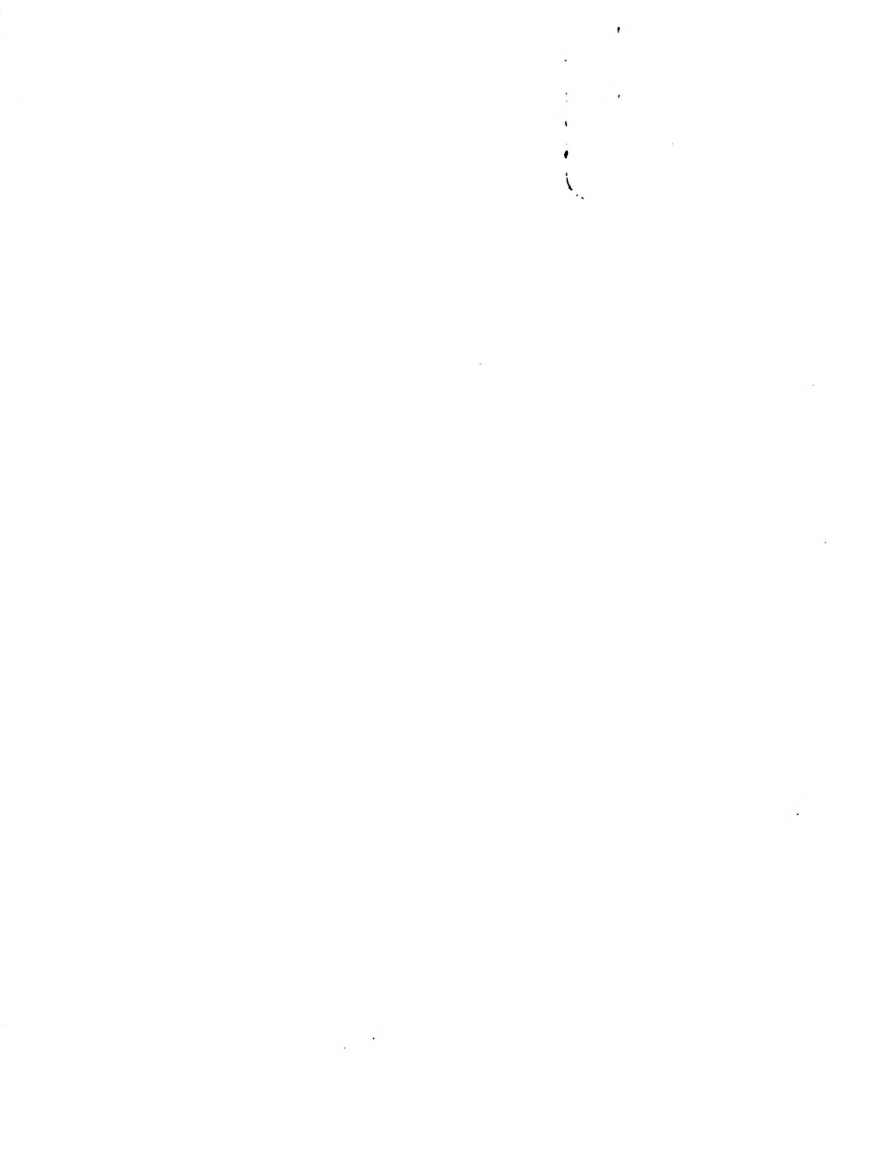


There appeared a great wonder
in heaven ; a woman clothed with
the sun, and the moon under her
feet, and upon her head a crown
of twelve stars.

Rev. vii, 1.

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